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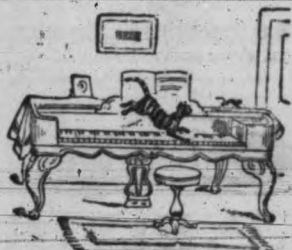
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The Boers Reported to Have Been Repulsed Several Times at Mafeking.

MORE BRITISH TROOPS KILLED

Another Armored Train Destroyed in Cape Colony—General White Fails to Draw the Boers From Van Reenan's Pass.

(Associated Press.)
London, Oct. 14.—Those who have been anxious for more stirring news from the seat of war are getting it to the full this morning, as according to dispatches shooting must have been nearly continuous along the entire borders of the Boer Republics, while pitched battles have occurred or are occurring at various points in Natal and British Bechuanaland.

Most of these reports, however, remain unconfirmed.
As Mafeking is cut off telegraphically, the stories from that point are generally of Kaffir origin.

While there is every probability that Gen. Cronje's big commando has begun the assault upon Mafeking, reliable details must still be awaited.

A Desperate Fight.

Further details are at hand regarding the destruction of an armored train at Kraai Pan. These show that Capt. Newitt, who was in command of the train, was warned at Maribogo that the Boers held the line. He replied that he was bound to proceed. On nearing Kraai Pan, the train dashed into a culvert that had been blown up by the Boers, who were lying in wait for the train.

The Boer artillery immediately opened fire and a desperate one-sided fight.

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Natal before the arrival of the British army corps. At all points the Boers are faced by Boer forces superior at least in numbers.

The Force at Mafeking.

The most dangerous positions, especially owing to the fact that the armored train was destroyed, are the Kraai Pan, Baden-Powell, who is in command at Mafeking, is a man of the greatest courage and energy, but he has only 2,000 men, many of them irregulars, whose fighting capacity is not known, although it is believed to be good.

The fact that he has moved out of Mafeking indicates some apprehension, and in all likelihood he will have to stand a fierce assault or a prolonged siege.

British Force in Natal.

General Sir George Stewart White, commanding in Natal, is estimated to have about 15,000 men stretched in strongly entrenched positions from Ladysmith to Dundee. He is a man of great resources and has the valuable assistance of General Sir Wm. Penn Symonds, experienced in hill fighting in India, and General Sir Archibald Hunter, experienced in Sudan campaigns.

Ammunition Destroyed.

In connection with the rumored attack upon Mafeking a disquieting report comes from Pretoria to the effect that the Boersburg and Marico commands have crossed the border and entered the territory between the Orange and the Vaal rivers, blowing up a bridge over the Marico river and destroying a train load of dynamite, and the track.

As Mafeking depends upon the Orange for a water supply, the significance of this move is evident.

Victoria Cross Hero Killed.

London, Oct. 14.—Captain Newitt, who was killed at Kraai Pan, belongs to the Mafeking mounted police. He served in the Matabele war, during which a daring exploit won him the Victoria Cross. With thirteen men he fought his way through the Matabele, rescued a beleaguered party and escorted them to Salisbury.

Three of the party were killed and wounded, all the horses being killed or foundered.

Attacks on Mafeking.

London, Oct. 14.—According to dispatches from the front the Boers have made several attacks upon Mafeking, all of which have been repulsed.

Fighting in Cape Colony.

The Boers are reported to have seized a railway station north of Fountains, between Vryburg and Kimberley, after fighting which still continued in the neighborhood.

Fighting at Kraai Pan.

Kimberley, Oct. 14.—Official communication has been received of the report that fighting has taken place at Kraai Pan.

Another Train Blown Up.

London, Oct. 14.—The Exchange Telegraph Company has received a dispatch from Cape Town, dated this morning, saying that the Boers have blown up another armored train, carrying telegraph operators from Mafeking.

White Returns to Ladysmith.

Later.—The following dispatches have been received by the war office: "General Sir George Stewart White went in the direction of Van Reenan's Pass at 3 a.m. yesterday (Friday), but failed to draw the Boers from the pass. He has returned to Ladysmith. No engagement occurred."

Advancing on Newcastle.

Camp Glencoe, Natal, Oct. 13, 10 a.m.—The Boers have occupied Spitzkop, near Newcastle.

Durban, Oct. 13, 12:30 p.m.—The Boers have not occupied Newcastle.

The last train left last evening (Thursday) with railway, telegraph and police officials. Mr. Jackson, the magistrate, and a few residents remain there at their own desire.

The Boers are encamped at Ingogo, 15 miles from Newcastle.

Boers at Ingogo.

Durban, Oct. 13.—Authentic news has reached here that 3,000 Boers camped on Ingogo-battlefield last evening.

Basutos Quiet.

Cape Town, Oct. 14.—In consequence of the reiterated reports that the Orange Free State burghers contemplate an attack upon Mafeking, the British headquarters in Basutoland, the resident commissioners have taken ample steps for defence.

There has been no serious movement, as yet, on the part of the Basutos.

One or two minor chiefs are inclined to side with the Orange Free State, but the attitude of the others have caused the Free State authorities to patrol the border extensively owing to the fear of raids.

Kimberley Safe.

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BRITISH PATRIOTISM.

During the troubled period, some years ago, when Britain occupied a position of "splendid isolation" amongst the nations, the sneer was freely flung by the European press that far from the colonies of Britain being of any use to her in case of a life-and-death struggle, they would prove a source of weakness and embarrassment.

Twice has the lie been hurled back in the teeth of that prodigious press, on both occasions by the volunteers of Canada and the Australian colonies, and again it is being, as it were, thrust down the throat of that mendacious press by the spontaneous action of Canada and Australia. New South Wales has already in the field a body of her stalwart young sons, and before long they may be engaged with the enemy, Canada, notwithstanding the atrocious misstatements of the disloyal Tory press, but not a day in intimating to the Imperial government that it had only to call out Canada would be found ready, rifle in hand, for the distant battlefields of the Cape.

And while the Tory press of Canada was circulating the outrageous slander against the Canadian government the sincere thanks of the Imperial government were on their way across the Atlantic. At a time when every patriotic heart beats high with the pride of membership in the British Empire the only thing to blush for is the disloyalty and small-mindedness of the Tory press of Canada. It has struck the only jarring note where all should be union. This crime will not be forgotten by the Canadian people.

There can be nothing but admiration for those young Canadian officers who have bravely volunteered for the front. We hope that British Columbia will be represented by those gallant fellows on the strength of the contingent about to sail for Durban. In the face of the hundreds of applications of a similar nature pouring in to the government from every quarter of the country, how unspeakably silly appear the comments of the foreign press about Britain's size being her weakness, and her "far-flung battle line" being too thin to wear well.

It is alleged that the Russian and a certain portion of the German press, are eagerly speculating upon the possibilities of the present juncture for wiping off old scores against Britain, because they think Britain will be too busy at the Cape to be able to protect the other portions of the Empire. Fortunately those sections of the Russian and German press do not control the destinies of those countries, or the consequences for those countries would be the reverse of pleasant.

Great Britain has a way of replying to those comments that is really marvellous in bringing the continental nations to see the beauties of peace, and that is by placing upon the sea a flying squadron so powerful as to convince the foreigners that any attempt at putting in to effect the blustering of their press

would be merely a quick way of committing national suicide.

After the present war, when Great Britain will be able to draw a line from the eastern boundary of the German possessions clear across to the mouth of the Zambezi and call all south of that British, (as Portugal having now fingered a million or two of British gold, for Delagoa Bay, will probably be only too glad to repeat the experience for the remainder of Lorena Marquez)—when this shall be accomplished, the continental critics will see the long-for disintegration of the British Empire farther off than ever.

ALD. WILLIAMS.

The Times, in criticising Ald. Williams' conduct at the council board, did not properly explain the parliamentary rule in reference to the stage at which debate on the principle of a bill may take place. What we intended to say was that when a measure had passed its second reading and gone into committee its general principle could not be debated. What we did say was that "when it had passed to second reading," etc. In all parliamentary bodies the adoption of the second reading is considered an affirmation of the principle of the bill, and thereafter it is only competent for speakers to discuss the contents of the clauses as they are brought up for adoption. Our "clerical error" gave Mr. Williams an opportunity to set us right, which he took advantage of to the full. Having done so Mr. Williams might now undertake to set himself right. His wrong was unparliamentary conduct in the council was a violation of the rule which he correctly explained in his letter yesterday. Not only was he out of order in debating the principle of the bill after it had passed its second reading, but he was studiously offensive in his remarks to the chair, and for half an hour or so succeeded in making the council meeting a bore garden. Ald. Williams might feel it necessary to discuss that phase of the question.

PLAN OF THE CAMPAIGN.

It is generally conceded that if the Boers do not gain victories over the British in a few preliminary skirmishes and thus raise visions of a possible great Dutch commonwealth in South Africa, the war is likely to prove of short duration. It is well known that the South African Republic indulged in dreams of finally driving the British from the Cape and turning that great country into a Dutch republic, and it is possible a few minor successes might mean a general uprising and a more protracted struggle.

In any event, it is folly for laymen to criticize the manner in which military operations are being conducted at the Cape. The War Office has had the plan of campaign under consideration for many months, and whatever is being done has been conceived by men who understood what was required of them, and will be executed by men who will stop at nothing short of their duty. A British artillery officer, now at the scene of operations, said to a correspondent of the London Daily Telegraph:

"The Boers have talked so much about their rifle practice that the War Office has very sensibly decided that in this campaign the rifle will be out of it. The Boer rifle is under a paralyzing shell fire from a line several miles long, and at an average distance of a mile and a half, which is perfect for artillery but impossible for rifle fire. The Boer's sole idea of fighting is lying quietly and calmly behind a kopje, and taking slow and deliberate aim. He has never known what it is to have to lie quietly while his comrades are being smashed around him by a deadly hail of bullets falling from the sky. His idea of artillery is something that comes straight at him, like a rifle bullet, and can be dodged by getting behind a big stone. It will come as a revelation to him to find bullets falling from above him, and he will be killed by hundreds of yards behind. Killing his horses and picking off men lying like ant-bears in their holes. The result will be a panic. The well-disciplined troops of Europe cannot resist it. Meanwhile the cavalry will be stealing up, taking advantage of every bit of cover, and followed by the infantry. Under a shell fire, such as I have described, cavalry can advance to within 100 yards of the point of attack, which they quietly flank. Then, at a signal, a terrible final volley of shrapnel is poured in, the order to charge is given, and before they know it the Boers are lying among the bodies and legs of their horses, and the bayonets of the infantry are just behind. To talk of men lying calmly and coolly shooting under these conditions is nonsense. Half their horses will have been killed by the fire, and what is the good of the Boer on the field without his horse? The Boer artillery will be the first object of attack, and before it has been in action an hour half the guns will be either disabled or deserted, for I am told they have a poor idea of artillery. The whole theory of this plan of attack is to render the rifle and long-range marksmanship useless. With the number of troops at the disposal of the British, the Boers will be surrounded and forced into the open, where they will be cut to pieces. Personally I am not convinced that thousands of Boers will not get a bullet home—they won't have the chance."

Of course the best laid plans even of military men do not always work out according to their conception, for the people on the other side have to be reckoned with. But it is undoubtedly true that the Boers have never had any experience of the demoralizing effects of the fire of modern artillery. The British have probably had sufficient experience of Boer tactics not to be again caught like rats in a trap.

If the statement that the Boers continued to fire upon the wreck of the train they had destroyed at Mafeking

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be confirmed we shall then know that war in its ugliest form is in progress. Such acts will be sure to alienate the sympathy of all who were friendly to the Boers, and it will certainly end at once the claims of the Boers to be a free party in the Old Country. When the time comes when the final blow is to be struck for British supremacy in South Africa, and that time cannot be far away now, the Boers may have good reason to regret the brutal savagery of that and other acts. As has been said, the British are likely to lose the first small engagements and skirmishes, but a general engagement, which must follow at no distant date will probably shake the Boer power to a very serious extent, if not enough to break it up altogether.

The New York Tribune is recognized as the chief organ of the Republican party, and when it comes out with a strong, fair presentation of the British case against the South African Republic, it is reasonable to conclude that it presents the views of the present United States government. Thus Great Britain meets with her reward for the stand she took against united Europe during the war with Spain, for if any of the Powers have indulged in the hope of taking advantage of England's present difficulties the thought of encountering a combination of English-speaking countries will supply a reason for a little contemplation and thoughtful pondering over the matter.

Mafeking, on the Transvaal border, north of Kimberley, is a spot of unpleasant memory. It was from that place that Dr. Jameson's ill-starred expedition started for Johannesburg and walked into the arms of Commandant Cronje at Doornkop. The Boers seem to be doing a land-office business in train-wrecking in that vicinity.

California state board of health has adopted a resolution in favor of quarantine against consumptives. Twenty thousand tuberculosis patients enter the state every year and the effects of this are alarming the authorities. Consumption, according to medical men, is one of those diseases that could be stamped out if the public could be induced to act with the profession.

Mr. Tarte has denied that he uttered the absurd statement put into his mouth by the Tory press, and so eagerly distributed by them. What are decent people to think of a press that lives upon this sort of thing? It is disgraceful. We suppose it is a case of like party like press.

Domestic finances continue to show the healthiest condition that could be expected. What a contrast to the continual deficits of the Tory ministries, accompanied by the best excuses imaginable. Even Tories smile a far-away, non-committal smile when they are asked if they want to see a return to Tory financing.

Mr. Smart, deputy minister of the interior, is in Glasgow, Scotland, and has been giving some attention to the question of the boys sent out to Canada by Quarrier's homes. The difficulty of misunderstanding which had arisen in connection therewith, has, it is understood, been removed.

A gentleman in Victoria has received a letter from England in eleven days. This breaks the record, we think. The letter was posted in Liverpool on the 23rd of September, and was received in Victoria on the 3rd of October.

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And whereas the company is empowered to charge its undertaking and its bonds, and its property, real and personal, in respect of such guarantee, secured and subject only to the charge in favor of the bondholders;

And whereas the Board of Council is by the act authorized to enter into all agreements and arrange all details for carrying out the provisions of the act;

And whereas provision is also made for permitting the corporation to share in any security taken in advance;

Be it therefore resolved that the corporation be requested to take such steps as may be necessary to obtain security for the nature of a mortgage on the Victoria & Sidney railway, its undertaking, tools and property, real and personal, for the amount of the advances made by the government and corporation to the railway in satisfaction of their respective guarantees of interest, and that the mortgage contain such terms and clauses as will permit the corporation to share in such security pro rata, to the extent of the guarantee.

Ald. Macgregor will also move that lenders be invited in the Victoria Daily Times for publishing the voters' list of the city for 1900, to be received not later than Friday, the 20th inst., at 1 p.m., at the city clerk's office, and that a special committee be appointed with power to award the contract and affix the corporation seal thereto.

Words From the Heart

A NOVA SCOTIAN FARMER TELLS HOW HE REGAINED HEALTH.

He Suffered for Years From Kidney Trouble, Sick Headache and Rheumatism—Although Advanced in Life He Has Found a Cure.

(From the Enterprise, Bridgewater, N. S.) Solomon Meldrum, Esq., of Upper Branch, Lunenburg Co., N. S., is a gentleman of Scotch descent, and well known throughout the county. He is an agriculturist of repute, and prominent in the local affairs of the Baptist denomination. Referring to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, he says: "I consider them a most wonderful and beneficent revelation in the realm of medicine. Previous to using these pills some two years ago, I had suffered for years with kidney trouble and rheumatism. Many a time I had been so bad that I could do nothing but endure the pain and pray for physical deliverance. My advanced age, being nearly 70 years old, made a cure look almost impossible, humanly considered, in a case of such long standing. But thanks to the Lord and Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, I am here to-day in excellent health, with no feeling of ailment to remind me of past sufferings. Something over two years ago I read of the wonderful cures attending the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. I thought if these testimonials are true it is possible the pills may benefit even me. I bought six boxes first, used them strictly as directed, and with the Lord's blessing they did me much good. But my ailments were chronic, deep-seated, and I am an old man. The cure was not complete, and I got twelve boxes more with all faith in the result. I only had to use the pills and when I began their use, I felt like a new man. My kidney troubles, rheumatism, and all other bodily ailments, except the disability incidental to persons of my advanced age, and even those were in a measure relieved. I may add that for a long time before I used the pills, and when I began their use, I felt like a new man. My kidney troubles, rheumatism, and all other bodily ailments, except the disability incidental to persons of my advanced age, and even those were in a measure relieved. 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Work of Mobilization

British Army and Navy Officials Working Night and Day.

Reserves Promptly Respond to the Call to Rejoin the Colors.

The Admiralty's Task is to Transport an Army of 62,000 Men.

(Associated Press.) London, Oct. 14.—All Europe is watching Great Britain at this crucial moment in her military affairs. Foreign statesmen and military experts regard the result of the war with the Boers as a foregone conclusion. What they await is the tremendous preparations for the contest. By the result of these efforts will her strength be gauged.

In assembling an army twice as large as that which she sent to the Crimea and considerably greater than Wellington's force at Waterloo, England is offering an illustration, for the first time in many decades, of her ability to fight on the land. Although her naval strength has often been

Demonstrated to Advantage it has still been a matter of doubt whether her military arm would compare favorably with that of continental nations, and in the throes of such a test have been engaged this week, day and night, gangs of men working incessantly at the ports and along the coast, transforming the hitherto unwarlike appearance of the British Isles into a scene of intense activity.

Some idea of the activity in this branch can be gained from the fact that three millions of small arms ammunition have been ordered, and the manufacture of the favorite new bullet, "Mark 5," has been retarded by an outbreak of "lead poisoning" among the employees, this department working day and night. Tons of grape shot are being shipped to make gas for the War Balloons.

which are being taken out on a more extensive scale and with a more complete equipment than ever before.

Meanwhile, the men for whom these equipments of war are being made are pouring out of barracks, to the ports, standing by to embark, drilling, manœuvring and practicing at targets every spare hour. The reserves are answering into Aldershot in hundreds of batches, and resubdividing their rifles as if the transformation from civil to military life were merely an every day occurrence.

The huge mobilization at Aldershot is now in charge of Major-General Thomas Kelly Kenny, inspector-general of the auxiliary forces and recruits, who succeeds General Sir Redvers Buller.

All the Work is New.

At the first time anything of the kind has been attempted since the short service system went into effect. A visit to Aldershot produces the impression that everything is going on like clockwork, but it is too early yet to express a definite opinion regarding the British mobilization.

For the reserves, themselves, who are obliged to leave their wives and families, on a pitiful allowance from the government, much public sympathy has been aroused, exemplifying the truth of Kipling's poem, "A special train for Atkins, when the band begins to play."

A number of reserves, who were not called out, have asked to be allowed to serve in South Africa, and the spirit of spontaneous patriotism is seen on all sides.

Sir Redvers Buller's force includes the flower of the English nobility. The "Excellent Boer" Marksmanship, combined with the fact that it is an unwritten rule in the British army that officers must always stand under fire though the men are lying down, makes mourning probably in many a noble British house.

The similarity is perhaps more on trial than the army, especially as it is well known General Lord Garnet Wolseley, commander-in-chief, does not approve of a system which gives the navy such far-reaching powers in transporting troops. In 1882 Great Britain dispatched fifteen thousand troops in three weeks to Alexandria, Egypt, a feat that elicited the intense admiration of Count von Moltke, but the task of shipping more than 52,000 men has

No Parallel in the History

of Great Britain. Already two branches of the service are beginning to blame each other for various delays, but it is scarcely apparent that there has been any serious lack of facilities. The ship brokers have undoubtedly worked something like a corner on the admiralty as they did during the Spanish-United States war, and the recent break-down of the two transports is still the cause of considerable anxiety of the admiralty. The most remarkable point in connection with the transport arrangement is that about eighty ships, and taken into the government service without materially disturbing the shipping trade.

The weakest link in the whole mobilization seems to be the

Army Service Corps, corresponding with the United States commissary. Various stations have been allotted to obtain the necessary officers and men, yet many officers assure an Associated Press representative that the arrangements are scarcely adequate for such a purpose.

In this connection the War Office Military Record says: "It is quite clear that if England had provided a second or third army corps for foreign service, there would have been no need to go out without full equipment. That this unpleasant discovery will form the sub-

Mail Train Held Up

A Desperate Fight With Masked Robbers Fifty Miles From Chicago.

They Ran Away With the Engine—Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars Stolen.

(Associated Press.) Chicago, Oct. 14.—Masked robbers held up a fast transcontinental mail train on the Northwestern railway shortly before five midnight between Maple Park and Dekalb, shot at Dan White, the engineer, ran away with the freight engine and blew open the express car and safe. When the robbers rifled the car they disappeared.

It is estimated the robbers secured \$25,000 in cash alone. The run was made from Chicago to Council Bluffs on schedule, exceeding a mile a minute. It has been the general opinion to carry only two cars, one containing express matter and the other the mail. The train left the Northwestern depot at 10 o'clock.

At Maple Park, 50 miles from Chicago, it was discovered that W. A. Elbert, who was either out of order or was not riding the right engine, had been shot at by the robbers. The train was stopped and the engine was brought to a standstill. Two masked men jumped on the steps and pointed guns at him and the firemen. "Throw up your hands!" they shouted. The railroad men did so. The robbers then detached the engine from the rest of the train, and White was told to pull out. The robbers made him take the engine two miles up the track, and he attempted to make a fight and recapture his engine. He struggled manfully, but finally one of the robbers shot at him but failed to hit him.

In the meantime the other men had attacked the conductor and brakeman. Numerous shots were fired to intimidate them. The conductor was unable to make any resistance as he was told he would be killed.

The brakeman escaped in the darkness and fled to Elbert, his head aching with alarm to the train dispatchers at Chicago.

The robbers, after overpowering the conductor, ordered Express Messenger Frank Robson to admit them to the car. Robson from the car came the shout: "If you try to force it I'll shoot!" The first man who showed his head, a volley of shots was the reply, and after several shots had whizzed past his head the express messenger opened the door.

It is estimated by the officers of the American Express Company, Chicago, that the robbers secured \$25,000 in the safe. The telegraph operator, tower W. had been bound and gagged by the robbers, who had changed the signals and stopped the train.

Personal.

A. B. B. of Tacoma, is at the Detroit.

Jas. Hanchett, of Dawson, is at the Queen's.

J. F. Gibson, of Chemung, is at the Victoria.

Wm. Ross, of Vancouver, is staying at the Dominion.

P. R. McLean, of Vancouver, is registered at the Queen's.

Capt. White, of the Emma and Louise, is at the Dominion.

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Mail Train Held Up

A Desperate Fight With Masked Robbers Fifty Miles From Chicago.

They Ran Away With the Engine—Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars Stolen.

(Associated Press.) Chicago, Oct. 14.—Masked robbers held up a fast transcontinental mail train on the Northwestern railway shortly before five midnight between Maple Park and Dekalb, shot at Dan White, the engineer, ran away with the freight engine and blew open the express car and safe. When the robbers rifled the car they disappeared.

It is estimated the robbers secured \$25,000 in cash alone. The run was made from Chicago to Council Bluffs on schedule, exceeding a mile a minute. It has been the general opinion to carry only two cars, one containing express matter and the other the mail. The train left the Northwestern depot at 10 o'clock.

At Maple Park, 50 miles from Chicago, it was discovered that W. A. Elbert, who was either out of order or was not riding the right engine, had been shot at by the robbers. The train was stopped and the engine was brought to a standstill. Two masked men jumped on the steps and pointed guns at him and the firemen. "Throw up your hands!" they shouted. The railroad men did so. The robbers then detached the engine from the rest of the train, and White was told to pull out. The robbers made him take the engine two miles up the track, and he attempted to make a fight and recapture his engine. He struggled manfully, but finally one of the robbers shot at him but failed to hit him.

In the meantime the other men had attacked the conductor and brakeman. Numerous shots were fired to intimidate them. The conductor was unable to make any resistance as he was told he would be killed.

The brakeman escaped in the darkness and fled to Elbert, his head aching with alarm to the train dispatchers at Chicago.

The robbers, after overpowering the conductor, ordered Express Messenger Frank Robson to admit them to the car. Robson from the car came the shout: "If you try to force it I'll shoot!" The first man who showed his head, a volley of shots was the reply, and after several shots had whizzed past his head the express messenger opened the door.

It is estimated by the officers of the American Express Company, Chicago, that the robbers secured \$25,000 in the safe. The telegraph operator, tower W. had been bound and gagged by the robbers, who had changed the signals and stopped the train.

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PITCHED BATTLES NOW IN PROGRESS

The town is fully provisioned and as safe as Piccadilly.

Advices from Alifan North represent the Boers at Beete Krail as discontented, and running short of provisions.

A Price on Rhodes's Head. London, Oct. 14.—The Sun, of this city, publishes an incredible story to the effect that the Boers have offered £5,000 for the capture of Mr. Cecil Rhodes, dead or alive.

Duller Starts for South Africa. London, Oct. 14.—General Sir Redvers Buller, who will have chief command in South Africa, accompanied by his staff, left Waterloo Station, London, this afternoon for Southampton to go on board the Dunottar Castle.

Canadians to Moldavia at Quebec. (Special to the Times.) Ottawa, Oct. 14.—Canadian contingent will in all probability mobilize at Quebec, and will sail on the Sardinia, which has been chartered by the Dominion government for this purpose.

The story sent out from Ottawa that the government will not pay for the contingent is entirely incorrect.

A large number of French-Canadians are putting in applications.

Instructions from Chamberlain. Ottawa, Oct. 14.—The following is a copy of the cable from the Hon. Joseph Chamberlain to the administration setting forth on what lines the Canadian contingent was to be selected:

London, Oct. 14.—The secretary of state for war and the commander-in-chief desire that you express the high appreciation of the signal exhibition of the patriotic spirit of the people of Canada shown by the offers to serve in South Africa, and to furnish the following information to assist the organization of forces into units, suitable for militia requirements.

"Firstly—Units should consist of about 250 men.

"Secondly—May be infantry, mounted infantry, or cavalry. In view of numbers already available infantry are most and cavalry least serviceable.

"Thirdly—All should be armed with decimal 303 rifles or carbines, which can be supplied by the Imperial government.

"Fourthly—All must provide their own equipment, and the mounted troops their own horses.

"Fifthly—Not more than one captain and three subalterns to each unit. The whole force may be commanded by an officer not higher than a major.

In considering the numbers which can be employed, the secretary of state for war will be guided by the nature of the officers, but desires that each colony should be fairly represented and the limits necessary if the force is to be fully utilized by the available staff as an integral portion of the Imperial forces. They would gladly accept units.

The conditions are as follows: Troops to be disembarked at the port of landing in South Africa fully equipped at the cost of the colonial government or volunteers. From the date of disembarking the Imperial government will provide pay at Imperial rates; the troops to embark not later than the 31st of October, proceeding direct to Cape Town for orders. Inform, accordingly, all who have offered to raise volunteers.

(Signed) CHAMBERLAIN.

It will be seen that Canada has acted in accordance with the request of the home government.

THINKING OUT THE HAREM.

(Associated Press.) London, Oct. 14.—A special from Bucharest says that the Sultan has caused to be drowned in the Bosphorus several ladies of the harem accused of complicity with members of the young Turkish party.

HOW TO GET PLUMP AND ROSEY.

Nature meant every woman to be plump, rosy and well developed, and if she has become pale, weak and nervous, Dr. A. W. Chase's Nerve Food will restore and revitalize the wasted nerve cells, make the blood rich and pure and give new vigor and elasticity to the whole body. For the peculiar to women there is no remedy so successful as Dr. A. W. Chase's Nerve Food.

Many people were greatly disappointed at the failure of Mrs. McLaren to appear last year at the lecture on "The Power of the Brain" by Dr. A. W. Chase. To those it will be a source of satisfaction to know that Mrs. McLaren is in Victoria on "Holloween Night," October 31st, at 8 o'clock, and give a recital including selections from "The Power of the Brain" by Dr. A. W. Chase.

"The Little Mother" by J. M. Barrie, "The Play Address" by S. R. Crockett, and humorous pathos and dramatic selections from standard authors. Mrs. McLaren has received letters of thanks from both Ian McLaren and J. M. Barrie for her interpretation of their works. She has appeared in "Prunella" and "The Play Address" in a few days.

"Adversity fattens no man," but the pains of dyspepsia turn his attention to Hood's Sarsaparilla and in its use he finds a cure.

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The funeral will take place on Sunday at 2:30 p. m. from the above residence. Friends will please accept this intimation. Toronto papers please copy.

The Churches.

St. John's church—Morning prayer at 11 and evening at 7 o'clock. The Rev. Percival Jones, being the preacher at both services.

St. Saviour's church, Victoria West—The regular services will be held in St. Saviour's church tomorrow at 8 a. m. and 7 p. m. The Rev. will preach both morning and evening.

Calvary Baptist church—Pastor, J. E. V. Victor, M. A. Services Sunday, 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Morning subject: "The Discipline of the Church"; evening: "The Unprofitable Servant." Baptism at evening service. Sunday school and Bible class at 2:30 p. m. Thursday, 7 p. m. Thanksgiving service, sermon by Rev. J. G. Hastings, M. A.

Metropolitan Methodist church—Rev. J. C. Speer, pastor. The Rev. Wm. B. Baer, D. D., of Nanaimo, will occupy the pulpit at both services, 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sunday school and Bible class at 2:30 p. m. Special revival services will be continued next week, with the pastor in charge.

St. Paul's Presbyterian church, Victoria West—Rev. J. H. Macdonald, minister. 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Morning subject: "The Church and the World"; evening: "The Church and the World." Dr. J. Campbell, anniversary social in the church on Monday evening next.

Victoria West Methodist church—Pastor, Rev. J. H. Macdonald. Services at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Conducted by the pastor. Sunday school at 2:30 p. m. Dr. Lewis Hall, Bible class teacher.

St. Reginald's church—Choral eucharist, 8 a. m.; matins and ante-communion, 11 a. m.; choral evensong, 7 p. m. The Rev. Wm. E. G. Miller, will be the preacher.

Reformed Episcopal—Rev. Dr. Wilson will preach morning and evening. Morning subject: "Nature and Revelation"; evening subject: "Mistakes About Moses."

James Bay Methodist—Usual services. In the evening, Rev. R. Hughes will preach upon "The Resurrection of the Dead in the Church of England." Anthem by the choir.

Emmanuel Baptist church, Fernwood road and Chatham street—Rev. J. G. Hastings, M. A., pastor, will preach at both services, 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. "Promises and Blessings." Sunday school at 2:30 p. m. B. Y. P. U. Monday night at 8 p. m. The pastor will lead the study in sacred literature. Prayer meeting, Thursday night at 8 p. m.

First Congregational church—Services will be held in this church morning at 11 a. m. and evening at 7 p. m. Mr. S. M. Orell will preach in the morning and Rev. F. Payne, the pastor, in the evening. The subject in the evening will be the "Mists of God."

The W. C. T. U. will hold special services in the A. O. U. W. hall at 3 and 8 p. m. Mrs. M. L. Henry, national evangelist, will give two addresses. Subjects: "What is the Boy Worth?" "Woe to Many of the Children of the Church Go to Ruin." All pastors are invited to take a place on the platform. A collection will be taken to meet expenses.

The Christadelphians will have under consideration at their class tomorrow evening at 7 o'clock, A. O. U. W. building upstairs, Acts xvi, 47.

Universal Brotherhood, 25 Broad street, Williams Block—8:15, address, "Soul Seeking Bodies." Children's class at 2:30.

Sunday services at the Home of Truth, 71 Discovery street, 11 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. Sunday school, 12:15.

"ONE OF THOUSANDS."

Miss Lily Corbett, 2 Gladstone Ave., Toronto, contracted acute catarrh through taking a severe cold some two years ago. Her suffering was very distressing at times. She tried several remedies, but none gave her any real relief. Dr. A. W. Chase's Nerve Food was recommended to her, and she had used four bottles she says she was entirely cured.

Sold by Deans & Hisecks and Hall & Co.

STEAMER DESTROYED.

(Associated Press.) New York, Oct. 14.—The Nutmeg State, a seven hundred-ton Sound steamer, was burned to the water's edge this morning. No one was hurt, so far as known. The freight was entirely destroyed.

HONEST ADVICE FREE TO MEN.

The Times is requested to publish the following: All men who are nervous and debilitated or who are suffering from overwork, excess of youthful errors, are aware that most medical firms advertising to cure these conditions cannot be relied upon. Mr. Graham, a resident of London, Ont., living at 4371 Richmond street, was for a long time a sufferer from above troubles and after trying in vain many advertised remedies, electric belts, etc., became almost utterly discouraged and hopeless. Finally he confided in an old clergyman who directed him to an eminent skillful physician, through whose skillful treatment a speedy and perfect cure was obtained.

Knowing by his own sorrow that so many poor sufferers are being imposed upon by unscrupulous quacks, Mr. Graham considers it his duty to give his fellow-men the benefit of his experience and assist them to a cure by informing anyone who will write to him in strict confidence where to be cured. No attention can be given to those writing out of mere curiosity but any one who really needs a cure is advised to address Mr. Graham as above.

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